House Study Bill 664

Bill Text

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           Section. 1. Section 477C.7, Code 2001, is amended to read
  1 2 as follows:
         477C.7 FUNDING.
         1. The board shall impose an annual assessment to fund the
  \frac{-}{} 5 programs upon all telephone utilities providing service in the
  1 6 state
  as follows:
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          total assessment shall be allocated one-half
 1 8 <u>including but not limited</u> to local exchange telephone
  1 9 utilities
 and one-half to the following telephone utilities:
 1 10 <u>wireless telephone service providers</u>,
 a. Interexchange

    interexchange carriers

 1 12
     Centralized

    centralized equal access providers

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  c. Alternative
- and alternative operator services
  1 14 companies.
          2. The assessment shall be levied upon revenues from all
  1 16 intrastate regulated, deregulated, unregulated, and exempt
  1 17 telephone services
  under sections 476.1 and 476.1D
        3. The telephone utilities shall remit the assessed
 1 19 amounts quarterly to a special fund, as defined under section
 1 20 8.2, subsection 9. The moneys in the fund are appropriated
 1 21 solely to plan, establish, administer, and promote the relay
  1 22 service and equipment distribution programs.
          4. The telephone utilities subject to assessment shall
  1 24 provide the information requested by the board necessary for
  1 25 implementation of the assessment.
          5. The local exchange telephone utilities shall not
  1 27 recover from intrastate access charges any portion of
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1 28 utilities assessment imposed under this section.
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                               EXPLANATION
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       This bill amends Code chapter 477C, relating to dual party
1 31 relay service.
1 32 The bill amends Code section 477C.7, relating to the
1 33 assessment of telephone utilities for the dual party relay
1 34 service. The bill eliminates the current percentage of
1 35 assessment allocated to certain types of telephone utilities,
 1 adds wireless telephone service providers to the list of
2 2 telephone utilities subject to assessment for dual party relay
{\tt 2} {\tt 3} service, and adds that the assessment shall also be levied on
2 4 revenues from all intrastate unregulated services.
2 5 LSB 5760DP 79
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